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SUBJ: INCIDENT AT CAMEROON UN MISSION

1. ON MONDAY, APRIL 11, 1977, AT APPROXIMATELY 3:30 PM,
USUN WAS NOTIFIED BY CAMEROON MISSION TO THE UN THAT A
CAMEROON CITIZEN WAS ON THEIR PREMISES THREATENING SUICIDE.
MISOFF IMMEDIATELY CALLED POLICE EMERGENCY 911 AND REQUESTED
POLICE ASSISTANCE.

2. ACCORDING NYPD, WHEN POLICE CAR ARRIVED ON THE SCENE
THEY OBSERVED A MALE, LATER IDENTIFIED AS ROBER SANJO,
A FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM CAMEROON, ON THE FRONT
STEPS OF CAMEROON MISSION WAVING A LARGE PIECE OF
GLASS AND SCREAMING INCOHERENTLY IN AN AFRICAN DIALECT.
POLICE WERE UNABLE TO RESTRAIN HIM WITHOUT UNULY
ENDANGERING THEMSELVES. CONSEQUENTLY, THEY WERE ONLY ABLE
TO MOVE IN ON HIM AFTER HE HAD SERIOUSLY SHASHED HIMSELF
ABOUT THE NECK AND ABDOMEN IN AN APPARENT SUICIDE ATTEMPT.
THE POLICE WHO HAD CALLED FOR AN AMBULANCE HELPED REMOVE
HIM TO LEXOX HILL HOSPITAL WHERE HE REMAINS IN CRITICAL
CONDITION.

3. INVESTIGATION BY ASSIGNED NYPD DECTIVE THOMAS
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HOLEVAS REVEALS THAT SANJO WHO RESIDES AT 850 AMSTERDAM
AVE, NEW YORK, NY, HAD BECOME DESPONDENT OVER VARIOUS
PERSONAL PROBLEMS AND WENT TO HIS MISSION REQUESTING ASSISTANCE
TO RETURN HOME. WHEN INFORMED THAT THE MISSION WAS NOT
THE PROPER CHANNEL FOR SUCH A REQUEST, SANJO BROKE A
PANE OF GLASS IN A MISSION DOOR WHICH HE USED IN HIS
SUICIDE ATTEMPT. NO MEMBER OF CAMEROON MISSION WAS INJURED

DURING THE INCIDENT.

4. REPRESENTATIVE OF CAMEROON MISSION HAS INDICATED TO POLICE THAT IF SANJO SURVIVES, THEY WILL OFFER ANY ASSISTANCE NECESSARY TO RETURN HIM TO THE CAMEROON.

5. THE MOST RECENT REPORT ON SANJO IS THAT HE AGAIN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AT LENOX HILL HOSPITAL ON APRIL 17 BUT IS STILL ALIVE. NO OTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE.

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